GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3293
ANSWERED ON:10.08.2015
Railway Panel
Adhikari Shri Sisir Kumar

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the different railway panel expert reports are kept pending;

(b) if so, the details of those kept pending along with the time since when these are pending;

(c) whether the Railways are considering to take any action on these pending reports; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3293 BY SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 10.08.2015 REGARDING RAILWAY PANEL.

(a) No, Madam.

(b) to (d) The following Experts Panels have submitted their reports during the last six years:-
1) Expert Group headed by Shri Sam Pitroda for Modernization of Railways.
2) High Level Safety Review Committee headed by Dr. Anil Kakodkar, former Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission.
3) Committee headed by Shri Sam Pitroda on the usage of Information & Communication Technologies (ICT) in the Railways.
4) High Level Committee headed by Shri D.K. Mittal, IAS (Retired)for improving the financial health of Indian Railways.
5) A Committee headed by Dr. Bibek Debroy, for mobilization of resources for major Railway Projects and restructuring of Railway Ministry and Railway Board.
6) A High Power Committee headed by Shri D. P. Tripathi to review the duty hours of running staff constituted in 2011.

7) One-man Committee of Dr. E. Sreedharan, to suggest a proper system and procedures to ensure proper accountability and transparency in commercial decisions and tendering.
8) Expert Committee headed by Dr. E. Sreedharan to examine the comparative merits of two systems of alignments of Katra-Banihal Section of Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla Rail Link Project.

As a system, recommendations of Committees are deliberated for acceptance/implementation in the Ministry of Railways and recommendations found implementable are implemented within available resources.

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